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In the specification:

Page 1, cancel the text in lines 1-3.

Prior Art

The present invention is based on a hand grinder as generically defined by the preamble to claim 1.

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CROSS-REFERENCE TO A RELATED APPLIACTION

The invention described and claimed hereinbelow is also described in German Patent Application DE 10353682.5 filed on November 17, 2003. This German Patent Application, whose subject matter is incorporated here by reference, provides the basis for a claim of priority of invention under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d).

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Accordingly, it is an object of the present invention to provide a new hand grinder which is a further improvement of the existing hand grinder.

In keeping with these objects and with others which will become apparent hereinafter, one feature of the present invention resides, briefly stated, a hand grinder (10), having a grinding sheet (20) that fits over the grinding disk underside (18) and having clamping means (22, 24, 30) for fixing the grinding sheet (20) to the grinding disk (14), the clamping means (22, 24, 30) having clamping bodies (24) that is pressable against the ends (21) of the grinding sheet, wherein the clamping body (24) is rotatably supported about a shaft (28) located substantially vertically above a mounting face (22).

The hand grinder designed in accordance with the present invention has the advantage that an inexpensive hand grinder is created that by simple means enables highly effective clamping and at the same time effectively making the grinding sheet taut on the grinding disk, in which a relative motion between the grinding sheet and the grinding disk is as good as precluded, and because the pivot shaft of the clamping body is located substantially vertically above the clamping point, on top of the grinding disk above the mounting face, and because the mounting face spaced apart from pivot shaft in a defined way is curved, an especially long slaving path is provided for making the grinding paper taut.

Page 5, in line 9, cancel "Drawings".

Page 5, before line 10, insert the following:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Page 6, cancel in line 5 "Description of the Exemplary Embodiment".

Page 6, before line 6, insert the following:

DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS